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In re application of

Masaki YAMAUCHI et al.

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REQUEST FOR REFUND

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A declaration of express abandonment by way of petition under 37 CFR 1.138 was filed in the above-identified application on July 20, 2006, i.e., prior to an examination of the application. Thus, as per 37 CFR 1.138(d), Applicants respectfully request a refund of the excess claims fee (\$720.00) paid in the above-identified application. This request is filed within two (2) months from the date on which the declaration of express abandonment was filed.

For reasons set forth above, we request that the charge be refunded to deposit account No. 23-0975.

Respectfully submitted,

Masaki YAMAUCHI et al.

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